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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

CRM-M-13900-2025

Date of decision: 14.07.2025

Rooppreet Kaur

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. R.S. Bains, Senior Advocate, with
Mr. Inderpal Singh, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Amit Rana, Senior DAG, Punjab.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner is seeking the concession of anticipatory bail, under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023, in case FIR No.0012, dated 31.12.2024, under Sections 7, 7-A of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988, as amended by P.C. (Amendment Act), 2018, and Section 120-B of IPC, registered at Police Station Vigilance Bureau, Flying Squad-1, Punjab at Mohali.

2. On 12.03.2025, while noticing the following submissions made by the learned senior counsel for the petitioner, this Court had directed that no coercive steps be taken against the petitioner:-

“Learned senior counsel for the petitioner, *inter alia*, contends that the allegations against the petitioner, who is a Drug Inspector, pertain to misappropriation of 610 intoxicant tablets, which were discovered during inspection of a De-addiction Centre. Learned senior counsel submits that in fact, it was the petitioner in her capacity as Drug Inspector, who set the ball rolling against the De-addiction Centre leading to the cancellation of its licence. Allegedly, the petitioner intentionally reported that only 4000 tablets were recovered

from the De-addiction Centre even through the inspection team found 4610 tablets at the De-addiction Centre.

Learned senior counsel has argued that the allegations against the petitioner are wholly misconceived, baseless and devoid of merit. It has been further argued that it is highly implausible that the petitioner would have intentionally scaled down the quantity of the recovered tablets, which were valued at a mere ₹16,170/-, more so when the remaining allegedly recovered intoxicant tablets amounted to approximately ₹72 lakh.”

3. Thereafter, vide order dated 27.03.2025, this Court had granted the concession of interim bail to the petitioner and asked her to join investigation.

4. Learned senior counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance of order dated 27.03.2025, petitioner has joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency.

5. Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Ravinder Singh, does not dispute the factum of the petitioner having joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency. He, on further instructions, submits that the petitioner is not required for further investigation much less for her custodial interrogation.

6. In view of the above, the petition is allowed and interim order dated 27.03.2025, is made absolute subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C./482(2) of BNSS, 2023.

**(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE**

July 14, 2025
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Whether speaking/reasoned:
Whether reportable:

Yes/No
Yes/No